In the Court of Appeals of the State of Alaska

Thomas M. Beattie,

Appellant,

v.

State of Alaska,

Appellee.

Court of Appeals No. A-13685

Order

AS 9.19.010

Application for Exemption from Filing Fee

Date of Order: July 16, 2020

Trial Court Case # 3PA-19-01221CI

Thomas M. Beattie, a prisoner engaged in litigation against the State (as that term is defined in AS 9.19.100(1)), has moved for an exemption of the normal filing fee for this appeal.

Under AS 9.19.010(d), even when a prisoner can not afford to pay the normal filing fee, the filing fee must be at least 20 percent of (1) the average monthly amount of deposits to the prisoner's account during the preceding six months or (2) the average monthly balance of the prisoner's account during the preceding six months, whichever is greater.

Based on the information submitted to this Court, the average monthly amount of deposits to Mr. Beattie's prisoner account for the months of January 2020 through June 2020 was \$144.08, and the average monthly balance in that account during the same period was \$108.30. Taking the larger of these figures (as required by the statute), Mr. Beattie's filing fee must be at least 20 percent of \$144.08 — or \$28.82.

It is the practice of this Court to round filing fees up to the nearest 25 cents. Thus, Mr. Beattie's filing fee for this appeal shall be \$29.00.

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Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Mr. Beattie's motion for an exemption to the normal filing fee is **GRANTED** in part.
- 2. Mr. Beattie shall pay a reduced filing fee of \$29.00. This fee must be paid within 30 days of this order. If there is good reason, the Court may grant an extension of this deadline. If Mr. Beattie fails to pay the reduced filing fee within the time allowed, his appeal will be rejected for filing and this case will be closed.

Entered under the authority of Chief Judge Allard.

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